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Region 3 Citizens' Advisory Committee

Date: Thursday, March 31, 2011 **Time:** 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

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Location: Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks Region 3 Office (1400 S. 19th Ave. Bozeman)

AGENDA

1:00 p.m.	Greetings, introductions, roundtable, and public comment
1:45 p.m.	FWP Updates — Pat Flowers
2:15 p.m.	Break
2:30 p.m.	2011 Montana Legislative Session Update — Pat Flowers
3:15 p.m.	Elk Brucellosis Study — Neil Anderson, FWP Laboratory Supervisor
4:30 p.m.	CAC Caucus — Natural Resource Damage remediation fund; Respect Your Rivers
5:00 p.m.	Dinner
5: 45 p.m.	CAC Caucus — continued
6:30 p.m.	Public comment; wrap-up

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Consensus-based Decisions and Ground Rules

CONSENSUS-BASED DECISIONS

The Region 3 Citizens' Advisory Committee will work by consensus to reach decisions. A way to test whether or not the group is achieving consensus is to ask the participants how they feel about a particular proposal or option according to the following statements:

- 1. I can say that I **wholeheartedly agree** to the decision.
- 2. I find the decision **perfectly acceptable.** It is the best option available to us.
- 3. I can **support** the decision, although I'm not especially enthusiastic about it.
- 4. I do not fully agree with the decision and need to register my view about it. However, I do not choose to block the decision. I am willing to support the decision because I trust the wisdom of the group.
- 5. I do not agree with the decision and feel the need to **block** the decision from being accepted as consensus.
- 6. I feel we have no clear sense of unity in the group. We need to **do more work before consensus can be achieved.**

Consensus is achieved if all participants indicate that they are at levels 1-4.

When someone determines a position at 5 or 6, that person must assume the burden of clearly articulating his or her concern to the larger group, and if possible, work to develop a solution which that person can present to the group for the group's consideration. The group may continue with the procedure until consensus is achieved or the group decides to not move forward with a particular decision or recommendation.

MEETING GROUND RULES

The Region 3 Citizens' Advisory Committee is committed to working within the following meeting ground rules, demonstrating respect for each other by:

- Listening actively
- Listening honorably, and respecting each other
- Giving the other person permission to openly speak his or her mind
- Avoiding attacking remarks, "name calling," etc.
- Not interrupting
- Not conducting side conversations